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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The next issue of the EVANGELIST will appear in its new "dress."

After this issue the Departments outlined in the EVANGELIST PROSPECTUS will be regularly maintained.

There are at present several very successful revival meetings in progress, and we hope to report good results from these efforts.

Sister Ellen Gnagey sends us a list of fifty subscribers accompanied with cash—seventy-five dollars. A few churches like the Milledgeville church would run a publishing house themselves. Thanks.

We have had numerous calls for Bibles with EVANGELIST subscriptions. These Bibles are giving good satisfaction everywhere. If you are in need of a good, first class Bible, you now have an excellent opportunity to secure one.

We would like to have monthly reports from our churches everywhere. Let pastors send the news from their respective churches, or appoint agents who will attend to it. Brief notes are preferable. Give the news in as few words as possible.

The sisters should not fail to use the opportunity afforded them in these columns. We want to hear from them. News from your society will be gladly received. Let others know what you are doing and how you are doing it? In this way you can be helpful to each other, and increase your possibilities for usefulness. Much of the work of the church in the future will depend upon our sisters for its doing. There is a wide field opening everywhere to woman.

We have this week printed another tract, prepared by J. D. McFaden. *The Only Way*, is the title and is an excellent little tract for general distribution. It will do good. Price, 25 cents per hundred. We now have for sale:

No. 2—*Apostolic Baptism*, by B. C. Moomaw, 36 pages, price, 75 cents per 100; No. 7—*The Golden Baptism*, by J. D. McFaden, leaflet, price 15 cents per 100. No. 8—*The Only Way*, by J. D. McFaden, 4 pages, price, 25 cents per 100.

WHAT IS GAINED BY DOING RIGHT?

Read at Ashland Sunday school by Lizzie Brennaman.

The tragical event recorded in the 6th chapter of Mark contains varied and important lessons for all.

The point which stands out in boldest relief is,—do right at any cost.

A person not having a saving knowledge of the Son of God would doubtless, after reading the account of Herod and John the Baptist say in his mind that it is more profitable to do wrong, at least, occasionally. It does so appear in our lesson today. For did not John, a man who never shirked his duty but proclaimed the whole truth at all times, suffer the penalty of death? And Herod, a man who did right when it was convenient escape all persecution?

It is true, but, look again with the eye of faith into the dim and shadowy future and note the difference in the rewards granted to these men when the Great Judge shall give each his deserts. Ah, right will speak in that day when all things shall appear in their true light. Methinks I can see the holy man John crowned with a crown studded with many jewels, while the wicked man Herod, receives for his evil works eternal banishment from the glorious face of his Maker.

Fear not to do right knowing a reward will follow as surely as the night follows the day. We are told not to fear them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul.

Herod was trying to serve two masters, and in his soul there was a struggle as to which of these should be the supreme master. He feared more those who are able to persecute the body. In his heart he did not wish to grant the request made by the cruel Herodias, but fearful that he would bring censure upon himself if the foolish promise were broken he heeded not the small voice. It is very little credit to a man that he does wrong unwillingly. Have the courage to say, "No," to that which you know is wrong. Have strength of character enough to stand up to your convictions of right. If people were not so easily influenced by what their neighbors

say and do, what evil would be blotted from the face of the earth!

In the many vocations of life each one must be strictly honest if he would succeed. The merchant who measures thirty-six inches of material for a yard is the one who will not only gain the patronage of the greatest number of people but can lie down at the close of the day with a clear conscience.

The baker who gives the poor widow the largest loaf of bread will not go unrewarded. The student who relies solely upon himself and his memory in his daily recitations will be the one who attains the highest degree of proficiency in his studies.

The minister who is faithful, who is not afraid to tell a man his faults is the one who will do the greatest amount of good. Elijah, Paul, Luther and Cartwright are examples of such. "What is there to hinder my using this ticket over again?" asked a gentleman of a fellow passenger, when the car conductor had failed to take up his ticket. "Common honesty," was the quick response. Man's opinion is of very little importance compared to God's law. "Dare to do right! Dare to be true!"

The failings of others can never save you. Stand by your conscience, your honor, your faith;

Stand like a hero and battle till death."

If the advice given by the author of these lines is heeded the reward given in the end will be life everlasting.

FIND WORK.

Let us all go to preaching. Send polished Paul up to Athens, and plain Bartholomew down among the fishing smacks by the sea. Do not look so anxiously into your pockets for your diploma from Yale or your license from the Presbytery. If the Lord does not send you into the ministry, no cannon of the church can shoot you into it. But if He has put His hand on your head, you are ordained, and your working apron shall be the robe, and the anvil your pulpit; and while you are smiting the iron, the hammer of God's truth will break the flinty heart in pieces. Peter was never a sophomore, nor John a freshman. * * * Hundreds of men, grandly useful, were never struck on commencement stage by a boquet flung from the ladies' gallery. Quick! Let us find work. You preach a sermon; you give a tract; you sing a song; you give a crutch to a lame man; you teach the Sabbath class; you knit a pair of socks for a foundling; you pick a splinter from a child's finger. Do something. Do it now. We will all be dead soon.—T. De Witt Talmage.